

## **August 5, 2024 Monthly Meeting Minutes Hope Rod & Gun Club**

The 704th meeting of the Hope Rod and Gun Club monthly meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Deese.

### **Secretary's Report:**

President Deese asked if there were any corrections or questions to the July 2024 monthly meeting minutes emailed to each member and posted on the club website. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to accept the July 2024 minutes. A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer George presented the July 2024 Income and Expense Report. He asked if there were any questions on the presented Income and Expense Report. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to accept the Income and Expense Report as presented. A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the Income and Expense Report. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

### **Membership Report:**

Secretary Mann read the names of the new members and asked for a motion to accept them into the club. A motion was made and seconded, to accept and approve the new members. The Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. President Deese welcomed the new members to the Hope Rod & Gun Club and briefly reviewed some of the club's safety rules. Dues are due Jan 1 of each year. Gate combination was shared with the new members as well as the rule that the gate must remain open when someone is using facilities.

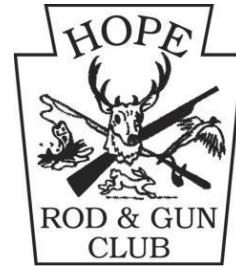
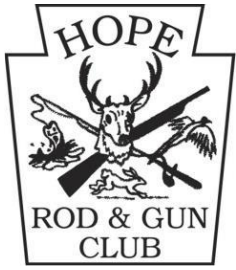
We currently have 346 members.

### **Fishing / Hunting Report:**

Call 608-244-3474 for up-to-date fishing information. No other Updates.

### **Shooting Committee**

Nothing to report.

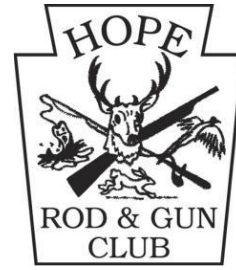
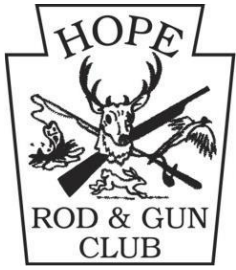


### **Building / Grounds:**

- Discussed getting a metal shipping container to house clay targets. At this point we believe we can get a full trailer of birds in the storage shed.
- Discussed a request for moving our front gate down the driveway to allow the owners of the property north of the gun club to install an access gate on the northeast corner of their property. Our gate would be relocated just passed their access gate. They would pay all expenses with moving our gate. Members presented had no concerns with their request.
- The property to the east of the club is having more discussions regarding the amount of semi traffic would be on Siggelkow Road. They are working with the village of McFarland on this issue.
- Discuss ventilation in the pistol range. We would not get 100% ventilation like we have in the rifle range given the size of the shooting lane openings. It is not feasible to redo the pistol shooting lanes.
- Received a quote from Capital Security for installing and maintaining key cards. The quote came in around \$20k. We will be contacting additional vendors. No updates.
- Continued discussing fencing in the entire gun club for safety reasons. More discussions are needed. No Updated.
- Looking into a DNR grant for installing a fence around the club. President Deese will be looking into the annual hours we are open to the public.

### **Old Business:**

- Continued looking into creating a section of the Website for selling firearms and other sporting equipment. No Update
- Jay has designed the new trap scoring benches. Reviewing design and associated costs. No Update
- Post membership roster in the rifle, pistol ranges and in the clubhouse. No update.
- Need update on scheduling a hunter safety course at clubhouse. No update.
- Secretary Mann stated that the Garmin shotgun training device that was approved for purchase has been discontinued. However, we have a member that has donated his Garmin shotgun training device to the club. Scot Your is loading updated software. When the updated software has been installed, we are planning on sending out several dates/times to the membership for signing-up to using the Garmin shotgun training device. It takes about ½ hour to complete one round.



### **New business:**

- President Desse gave us an update on the archery range. There are several targets that need to be replaced and new targets needed for shooting broadheads. President Desse made a motion to spend up to \$1,200 for purchasing several replacement targets and new broadhead targets. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously by voice vote.
- The Board will be meeting on Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. The meeting will be held at the clubhouse.

### **Archery**

- No Update

### **Trap League**

- No Update

### **Annual Picnic**

The annual picnic will be held on Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup> at the gun club. We need a volunteer to run the bingo this year. Family members are encouraged to attend. More detailed information will be sent in separate emails.

We are seeking volunteers to help prepare the clubhouse and outside grounds for the picnic. Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 12. If you are available, please volunteer.

### **Calendar Updates**

- Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> - Board will be meeting at 5pm at the clubhouse.
- Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - Clubhouse cleanup for the picnic from 9am – 12.
- Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> - Club picnic. Ranges are closed during the picnic.
- Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> – black powder trap tournament on Trap II from 9 am - 4 pm.
- Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> – clubhouse closed for private event from 10am-4pm.

**50/50 Raffle:** The raffle was won by Chris.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Mann.